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TO: []
FROM: []
SUBJECT: Constantine PAPANACE

1. A complete registry check has failed to give us much information about subject. He is a Macedo-Rumanian (Cutzowalache); he was born in northern Greece; he has a brother, Gheorghe PAPANACE, also a Macedonian Legionnaire, who in 1945 was living in CONSTANTSA.

2. Sometime after 25 January 1941, the date of the armed Iron Guard uprising against the person and government of ANTONESCU, Von BOLSCHWING smuggled twelve Iron Guard leaders out of Rumania by using German vehicles and uniforms for the purpose. (It became increasingly clear to the German government, however, that the Rumanian army was pro-Antonescu and anti-Guard. In a subsequent effort to win support from ANTONESCU, HITLER ordered most Guardists imprisoned.) These leaders were taken to ROSTOCK.

Shortly after their arrival Subject and Ilie GARNEATA had a falling out with Horia SIMA, accusing the latter of excessive caution and indecision. GARNEATA and subject thereupon founded the Mexicanii, an opposition group within the Legionnaire framework. GARNEATA later went to Argentina.

3. In March of 1945 subject was living in VIENNA, where he held the "title" of Minister of the (Rumanian Iron Guard) Legionnaire Cabinet. In the same month the Rumanian government, through the media of a newspaper (Jurnalul de Dimineata), termed subject a war criminal. In this list of war criminals subject is identified as a former under-secretary of state.

4. Subject is presently living in ROME. A small circle of the Mexicanii group remain in Italy with him. He has formed an association with a fm. GROZEA, who in 1945 returned to Rumania through Italy. GROZEA is said to have a strong influence with the working class.

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